

(65) *Pachyura varilla* Thos.

Wonderfontein, Potchefstroom District, Transvaal.

♂ and ♀ (unnumbered).

These examples were obtained in deserted "ant-hills" (termites' nests).

(66) *Amblysomus hottentottus* (Smith).

Malvern, Natal.

♀ (unnumbered).

LIV.—*Two new Species of Colobus from Central Africa, collected by Mr. R. Grauer.* By GUY DOLLMAN.

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THE British Museum has acquired from Herr Rolle, of Berlin, examples of the two following new species of *Colobus*, obtained by Herr R. Grauer during a recent Central African expedition.

*Colobus graueri*, sp. n.

Allied to *Colobus foai*, Pousarg., but differing from that form by having a dark grey-coloured under surface to the body.

Size and general proportions similar to *C. foai*. Hair soft and rather long, measuring about 105 mm. in length on back and sides. Superciliary stripe black, extending back as far as ears, the hairs intermingling with the black crescentic patches situated just anterior to the ears. Crest on top of head bright red (between fawn no. 4 and dull brick-red no. 4, 'Repertoire de Couleurs'). Cheeks and sides of neck pale chestnut (dead leaf no. 3, 'Repertoire'), getting lighter and greyer towards the shoulders. Back of head and neck dark reddish brown (maroon no. 2, 'Repertoire'); anterior part of back blackish brown (reddish black no. 3, 'Repertoire'), grading to a chocolate colour (dark chocolate-brown no. 3, 'Repertoire') behind the shoulders. Posterior portion of back, rump, and sides of body reddish brown (madder-brown, no. 2, 'Repertoire'). Upper surface of limbs very similar in colour to rump and sides, but rather richer (between fawn no. 4 and madder-brown no. 2, 'Repertoire').

Backs of hands and feet a little darker than rest of limbs. Under surface of body greyish, chest and underside of limbs dark slaty grey; chin and throat silvery grey. Tail bright reddish brown (between fawn no. 4 and dull brick-red no. 4, 'Repertoire'). Apical portion rather darker (Indian chestnut-red no. 4, 'Repertoire'); tip dark maroon.

Skull very broad across zygomatic region.

Dimensions of the type (measured in skin):—

Head and body 690 mm.; tail 670; hind foot 170; ear 27.

Skull: greatest length 122.5; basilar length 80.5; zygomatic breadth 88.4; greatest breadth across orbital region 72; condylo-basilar length 91; palatilar length 39.5; length of upper tooth-row, from front of first premolar to back of last molar, 29.4.

*Hab.* Wabembeland, 80 kilometres west of the N. end of Lake Tanganyika.

*Type.* Old male. Original no. 52. Collected by R. Grauer.

This specimen differs so strikingly in colour from *C. foai* that it must be regarded as representing a distinct species.

#### *Colobus ellioti*, sp. n.

Related to the foregoing species, but readily distinguished by its red-coloured back, dark brownish hind-quarters, and buffy under surface.

Size and general proportions similar to *C. graueri*. Hair rather shorter and harsher. General colour of back reddish, becoming brown posteriorly. Superciliary stripe black. Cheeks red (dark Indian red no. 3, 'Repertoire de Couleurs'), paler under ears (fawn no. 1, 'Repertoire'). Crest on head bright red (dark Indian red no. 3, 'Repertoire'). Back of head reddish chestnut (madder-brown no. 4, 'Repertoire'). Neck, shoulders, and anterior back deep mahogany-colour (between maroon no. 4 and mahogany no. 3, 'Repertoire'). Middle portion of back dark brownish red (dark chocolate-brown no. 2, 'Repertoire'). Rump brownish (warm sepia no. 1, 'Repertoire'). Upper surface of fore limbs and hands red (burnt sienna no. 2, 'Repertoire'). Upper surface of hind limbs very similar in colour to rump, but rather lighter (raw number no. 2, 'Repertoire'). Backs of feet brownish black (sepia no. 3, 'Repertoire'). Under surface of body buff-coloured (yellowish salmon no. 1, 'Repertoire'), grading to a pale yellow posteriorly (pale yellowish flesh no. 1, 'Repertoire'). Chest reddish (dead leaf no. 4, 'Repertoire'). Throat yellowish red (reddish apricot no. 1,

'Repertoire'). Underside of fore limbs reddish (dead leaf no. 1, 'Repertoire'), richer in colour towards extremities (dead leaf no. 3, 'Repertoire'). Under surface of hind limbs very similar in colour to posterior part of belly, rather greyer and darker towards the feet. Tail brownish black (reddish black no. 2, 'Repertoire').

Dimensions of the type (measured in skin):—

Head and body 760 mm.; tail 650; hind foot 150; ear 30.

Skull missing.

*Hab.* 90 kilometres west of the south end of Lake Albert Edward.

*Type.* Adult male. Original number 96. Collected by R. Grauer.

The red-coloured back and dark brownish hind-quarters, together with the black tail and buffy under surface of the body, indicate that this form must be considered quite distinct from *C. graueri*. From *C. foai* it is easily distinguished by its bright red back and head, and from *C. nigrimanus*, Trouessart, by its red hands, dark brown hind-quarters, and black tail.

It gives me great pleasure to name this handsome species after Dr. D. G. Elliot, whose intimate knowledge of this group of monkeys has been of the greatest service to me in distinguishing these two forms.

#### LV.—*Four new African Squirrels.*

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#### *Sciurus ruwenzorii vulcanius*, subsp. n.

Similar in essential characters to true *ruwenzorii*, but the body browner and the extremities more rufous.

General colour above bistre-brown, finely speckled with pale buffy. Muzzle tawny ochraceous. Under surface with the characteristic median white streak of *ruwenzorii*, the sides of the belly washed with ochraceous instead of yellow. Inner sides of limbs ochraceous buff. Forearms (especially along their outer edge), hands, and feet rich tawny ochraceous. Tail with the light rings on the hairs ochraceous, passing